



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 282

LCO No. 1542



Referred to Committee on EDUCATION

Introduced by:
(ED)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE INCLUSION OF TEEN DATING
VIOLENCE EDUCATION IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CURRICULUM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-16b of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2014*):

4 (a) In the public schools the program of instruction offered shall
5 include at least the following subject matter, as taught by legally
6 qualified teachers, the arts; career education; consumer education;
7 health and safety, including, but not limited to, human growth and
8 development, nutrition, first aid, disease prevention, community and
9 consumer health, physical, mental and emotional health, including
10 youth suicide prevention, teen dating violence awareness and
11 prevention, substance abuse prevention, safety, which may include the
12 dangers of gang membership, and accident prevention; language arts,
13 including reading, writing, grammar, speaking and spelling;
14 mathematics; physical education; science; social studies, including, but
15 not limited to, citizenship, economics, geography, government and

16 history; and in addition, on at least the secondary level, one or more
17 world languages and vocational education. For purposes of this
18 subsection, world languages shall include American Sign Language,
19 provided such subject matter is taught by a qualified instructor under
20 the supervision of a teacher who holds a certificate issued by the State
21 Board of Education. For purposes of this subsection, the "arts" means
22 any form of visual or performing arts, which may include, but not be
23 limited to, dance, music, art and theatre.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10-16b(a)
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Statement of Purpose:

To include teen dating violence education in the prescribed courses of study in the public school curriculum.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]